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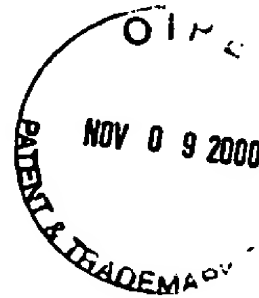
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Dear Sir:

The applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the five references cited on the attached PTO-1449. These references were cited in a Search Report of October 30, 2000 from the European Patent Office in conjunction with the corresponding PCT patent application. The applicants enclose a copy of the European Search Report, and the cited references. Consideration of these references is requested.

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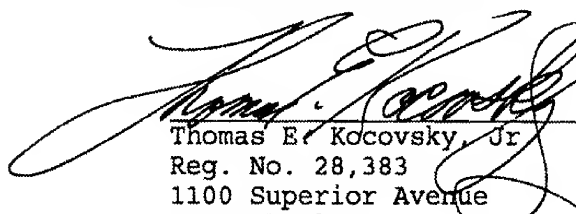
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